48:4-7.1

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SPONSOR(S) Sacco and Others

DATE INTRODUCED: February 26, 2008

COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: ---

SENATE: Transportation

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: ASSEMBLY: January 11, 2010

SENATE: January 11, 2010

DATE OF APPROVAL: January 17, 2010

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S1362

SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 4 of introduced bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: No.

SENATE: Yes

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FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: Yes

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE: No

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SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 4 of introduced bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes

SENATE: No

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: Yes

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[Second Reprint] SENATE, No. 1362

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

213th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 26, 2008

Sponsored by:

Senator NICHOLAS J. SACCO

District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

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District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

Assemblyman VINCENT PRIETO

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Assemblyman JOHN S. WISNIEWSKI

District 19 (Middlesex)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senator Beck, Assemblymen Vas, L.Smith, Assemblywoman Wagner, Assemblymen Ramos and Chiappone

SYNOPSIS

Requires 45 days' notice to affected municipalities of discontinuance of certain bus and train service.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the General Assembly on June 16, 2008.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/12/2010)

AN ACT requiring advance notice to municipalities affected by the discontinuance ¹, curtailment, or abandonment ¹ of certain bus and rail passenger service, amending P.L.1979, c.150, and supplementing Title 48 of the Revised Statutes.

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- 17 b. The authority hereby given the corporation pursuant to 18 section 6 of this act with respect to fares and service, shall be 19 exercised without regard or reference to the jurisdiction ¹ [formally] formerly vested in the Department of Transportation [by] 20 21 regarding rates and rate schedules under R.S.48:2-21 [, 48:2-24 and 48:4-3]; discontinuance, curtailment, or abandonment of service 22 under R.S.48:2-24; and the issuance of a certificate of public 23 24 convenience and necessity under R.S.48:4-3, and transferred to the 25 New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission by P.L.2003, c.13 26 (C.39:2A-1 et al) . The [Department of Transportation] ¹[New 27 Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission ²[Department of Transportation¹ New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission² shall 28 29 resume jurisdiction over service and fares upon the termination and 30 discontinuance of a contractual relationship between the corporation 31 and a private or public entity relating to the provision of public 32 transportation services operated under the authority of certificates of public convenience and necessity previously issued by the 33 ¹[New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission] 34 ²[department¹] New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission² or its 35 predecessors; provided, however, that no private entity shall be 36 required to restore any service discontinued or any fare changed 37 38 during the existence of a contractual relationship with the corporation, unless the [Department of Transportation] ¹[New 39 Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission [2 [department 1] New Jersey 40 Motor Vehicle Commission² shall determine, after notice and 41

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hearing, that the service or fare is required by public convenience

Matter underlined $\underline{\text{thus}}$ is new matter.

and necessity.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate STR committee amendments adopted March 10, 2008.

²Assembly floor amendments adopted June 16, 2008.

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(cf: P.L.1997, c.309, s.2)

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A holder of a certificate who fails to give notice in accordance with this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$100 per day. Every day that a violation exists shall be a separate violation for which a penalty may be recovered. A penalty imposed under this section shall be in addition to any other penalty or fine imposed pursuant to law and shall be collected and enforced by summary proceedings pursuant to the "Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999," P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.).

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SENATE, No. 1362

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

213th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 26, 2008

Sponsored by:

Senator NICHOLAS J. SACCO District 32 (Bergen and Hudson) Senator SANDRA B. CUNNINGHAM District 31 (Hudson)

SYNOPSIS

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(cf: P.L.1997, c.309, s.2)

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3. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill requires that when a public or private operator of a regularly scheduled bus or passenger rail service, including light rail, intends to discontinue, substantially curtail, or abandon a route, 45 days' notice must be given by the operator to the board of chosen freeholders of each county whose residents will be affected and to the clerk of each municipality in the county or counties whose residents will be affected. This bill will also require NJ Transit to give those governing bodies 45 days' notice of its intent to implement any fare increase for bus or passenger rail service.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1362

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 10, 2008

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1362 with committee amendments.

This amended bill requires that when a public or private operator of a regularly scheduled bus or passenger rail service, including light rail, intends to discontinue, substantially curtail, or abandon a route, 45 days' notice must be given by the operator to the board of chosen freeholders of each county whose residents will be affected and to the clerk of each municipality in the county or counties whose residents will be affected.

The committee amended a provision of the bill dealing with private carriers providing public transportation under contract with the New Jersey Transit Corporation to continue the Department of Transportation's jurisdiction over the service and fares of those carriers after the end of the contract, rather than moving that jurisdiction to the Motor Vehicle Commission. The amendments also made minor editorial changes to the bill.

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint] **SENATE, No. 1362**

with Assembly Floor Amendments (Proposed By Assemblyman WISNIEWSKI)

ADOPTED: JUNE 16, 2008

These Assembly floor amendments concern a provision of the bill dealing with private carriers providing public transportation under contract with the New Jersey Transit Corporation. These amendments end the Department of Transportation's jurisdiction over the service and fares of those private carriers after the end of a contract and move such jurisdiction to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.

ASSEMBLY, No. 333

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 213th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2008 SESSION

Sponsored by:

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SYNOPSIS

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STATEMENT

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ASSEMBLY, No. 333

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

213th LEGISLATURE

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ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 333

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 12, 2008

The Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably and with amendments Assembly Bill No. 333.

As reported, this amended bill requires that when a public or private operator of a regularly scheduled bus or passenger rail service, including light rail, intends to discontinue, substantially curtail, or abandon a route, 45 days' notice must be given by the operator to the board of chosen freeholders of each county whose residents will be affected and to the clerk of each municipality in the county or counties whose residents will be affected.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2008-2009 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended a provision of the bill dealing with private carriers providing public transportation under contract with the New Jersey Transit Corporation to continue the Department of Transportation's jurisdiction over the service and fares of those carriers after the end of the contract, rather than moving that jurisdiction to the Motor Vehicle Commission. The committee amended the bill's title to more accurately reflect the conditions under which notice must be given to municipalities.

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint] **ASSEMBLY, No. 333**

with Assembly Floor Amendments (Proposed By Assemblyman WISNIEWSKI)

ADOPTED: JUNE 16, 2008

These Assembly floor amendments concern a provision of the bill dealing with private carriers providing public transportation under contract with the New Jersey Transit Corporation. These amendments end the Department of Transportation's jurisdiction over the service and fares of those private carriers after the end of a contract and move such jurisdiction to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.